

**MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla III*): In view of the answer to part (b), is it not the duty of the Government to give to this House a definite reply?

**MR. T. C. THOMMEN** (*Secretary to Government*): The particular date, on which the information was called for, was not considered very material.

*Aided Technical Schools in the State.*

188. **\*MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to give a statement by taluk of the grant-in-aid technical schools under the Industries Department as they stood at the beginning of 1109 and 1110, showing the names of proprietors or managers with the amount of grant paid to them?

**MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI** (*Director of Industries*): The statement is placed on the table.

*Applications for Mechanical Fitters' Post.*

189. **\*MR. A. S. DAMODARAM ASAN** (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications received by the Electrical Engineer for appointments in his department from persons who have passed the Mechanical Fitters' class in the Sri Mulam Technical School;
- (b) the number of persons appointed by him from the applicants referred to in part (a); and
- (c) whether persons, without the above qualification, were appointed to posts which require such qualification, when those with such qualification were available?

**MR. T. C. THOMMEN** (*Secretary to Government*):

- (a) Eleven applications.
- (b) Two.
- (c) No.

*Transport of Stationery Articles.*

190. **\*MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Changanachery cum Peermude II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to entrust to private agencies the transport of stationery articles required for the various offices in the State;
- (b) if so, the amount proposed to be allotted therefor and the period for which the work is given;
- (c) the total expense incurred last year;
- (d) whether tenders have been invited for the work;
- (e) if the answer to part (d) is in the negative, why it was not done so; and
- (f) the names of persons who applied for the work and that of the person in whose name it has been confirmed?

\* Vide Appendix VI.

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

- (a) Yes. It is being examined by Government.
- (b) No amount is proposed to be allotted in the Budget for 1111.
- (c) The expenses incurred by the various departments during last year are not available.
- (d) No.
- (e) The scheme is only being considered by Government.
- (f) The applicants are --

1. Messrs. P. P. Cherian, Contractor, Trivandrum.
2. „ P. K. Subbiah Pillai, General Merchant and sub-agent, Trivandrum.
3. „ P. C. Chacko, Ex. S. M. P. A. member and Government Contractor, Chenganur.
4. „ T. T. Thomas Ex, S. M. P. A. Member and Government Contractor, Pathanamthitta.
5. „ P. C. Oommen, Government Contractor, Trivandrum.
6. „ H. Neelakanta Iyer, Proprietor, the Pankajam Motor Service, Alwaye.

The latter part of the question does not arise in view of the answer to parts (a) and (e).

**MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Changanachery cum Peermade II*): With reference to the answer to part (c), am I to understand that the transporting agents do not keep any account for the expenses?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The present system is that the officers send their own clerks or peons to the Stationery Stores and transport the articles of stationery to their respective offices; and the expenditure is met by the departments concerned. Information about the expenditure has to be collected from the various offices and departments. It has not been done.

**MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Changanachery cum Peermade II*): May I know whether Government do not think that that information is necessary before appointing new transporting agents?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes; that is why the matter has not been decided yet.

**MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon II*): Are tenders invited year after year?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

**MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon II*): How long ago was the present tender invited?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Years ago. I cannot give the exact year.

**MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon II*): How long is it since the present contractors are supplying?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is not the same contractor who supplies every year. In one year it may be some firms and in another year it may be some other firms.

*Purchase of Stationery Articles.*

191. **\*MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR** (*Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the value of stationery purchased by them during the year 1109;

(b) the average value of stationery purchased by them per year for the period of five years ending with 1109; and

(c) the procedure adopted by them for getting their annual supplies?

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(a) Rs. 1,15,773.

((b) Rs. 1,84,942.

(c) Sealed tenders with samples, for the supply of articles of stationery required annually are invited by publishing notices and schedules of requirements in the Travancore Government Gazette and in some of the leading newspapers in India. On receipt of the same, the rates and samples are examined by Government and orders placed with those tenderers who quote the lowest rate for the best quality of articles.

*Appointments made in the Rubber Factory.*

192 **\*MR. K. MADHAVAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a caste-war return of appointments made in the Rubber Factory, newly to be opened at Chakkai, up to 13-11-1110 M. E.?

**MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI** (*Director of Industries*): The caste-war\* return of appointments made in the Rubber Factory is laid on the table.

**MR. K. MADHAVAN** (*Nominated*): May I know from the Government if the Rubber Expert is under the control of the Director of Industries?

**MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI** (*Director of Industries*): Yes, Sir.

**MR. K. MADHAVAN** (*Nominated*): May I know who makes the appointments in the Rubber Factory?

**MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI** (*Director of Industries*): There is a rule for making appointments. Certain appointments are made by the officers of the department and the others by Government.

**PRESIDENT**: Appointments are made on the principles which apply to all other departments.

\*Vide Appendix VII.

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